

Minutes of the Westbrook Council of Beaches Meeting  
7:00 pm, Wednesday May 3, 2017

Attendees	Beach Association / Affiliation
Barbara Wolf	Cedar Crest Tax District
Andy Calderoni	District of Chapman Beach
Ed Gales	District of Chapman Beach
Mary Jane Monahan	Coral Sands Beach Association
Janice Shaw	Coral Sands Beach Association
Paul Ireland	Grove Beach Point Association
Jon Russell	Grove Beach Point Association
Traver Steiner	Grove Beach Point Association
Michael Tosatti	Grove Beach Terrace Association
Steve Smith	Island View Beach Association
George Abraham	Island View Beach Association
Jamie Abraham	Island View Beach Association
Tony Cozza	Island View Beach Association
Carolyn Fish	Old Kelsey Point Association
Tony Fastaia	Pilots Point Association
Linn Morgan	Pointina Beach Association
Steve Mason	Stannard Beach Association

The August 29, 2016 Minutes were approved

Steve Smith (treasurer): Treasurer's report.  
The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Traver steiner: **Demolition delay Ad Hoc committee.** The current proposed ordinance being discussed is that demolition may be delayed six months for any building built in 1900 or earlier, or any architecturally significant building, to allow a chance for the property to be preserved. Old Saybrook just passed a similar ordinance. The town supersedes the state in these particular situations.

Barbara Wolf: **miscellaneous updates.**

Update on alternative septic systems bill, **house bill #6332** is now in the Appropriations Committee. DEEP is against this because DEEP thinks the availability of smaller AT systems would encourage building along the sound.

Sidewalks: Barbara urged everyone to fill out the WCOB Alternative Sidewalks Survey sent to you by email. The town will hold a sidewalks workshop at 7pm on June 29 at town hall. Please attend if possible.

Andy Calderoni, **President of District of Chapman Beach and new WCOB delegate to the Westbrook Harbor Commission**, discussed beach moorings and the annual renewal of beach mooring permits. The main concern of the Harbor Commission is to educate and promote safety for boaters. There will be a \$20 a year fee for permits. The money will be kept in a fund, and will be used to remove derelict moorings. The money will also be used for educational materials on how to build a proper and safe mooring. He distributed permit application forms and information on mooring safety. . The harbor commission has been given jurisdiction by DEEP to manage all moorings and to remove derelict and abandoned moorings.

Tony Cozza: **Alleviating Hunger Committee Report**. Bring food to St Marks for their weekly food pantry on Tuesdays between 1:30 and 2:30pm. The meal program has been doing well. Gift cards may be given to Westbrook social services (Elizabeth carpenter). The public schools have designated needy families that would greatly benefit from them. Working on a summer meal program for families in need. Looking for volunteers for the committee.

Tony Fastaia: **Traffic Commission Report**. \$50 town citations are being given out. Traffic laws will be enforced by state and local officers. There are 8 part time town constables, and 3 state troopers. The town citations are expected to raise an estimated \$20,000 to be used by the town for enforcement.

Tony Cozza: **Town meeting: points of interest**. Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of May will be the vote on adoption of the town budget. The average property assessment went down 2.7% over last year.

Discussion of ideas for upcoming meetings: Traffic calming.

Carolyn Fish announced that the Westbrook garden association fundraiser will be on the town green on May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 2pm

Ed Gales: Moved to amend and add to the August 29 minutes to “Ed Gales: Any community garden program that has a surplus, donate the surplus to the food pantry.” Motion was approved.

Motion to adjourn was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ireland, Jr.  
Co-Secretary